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FOR : AN ANIMAL MODEL FOR IDENTIFYING A COMMON
STEM/PROGENITOR TO LIVER CELLS AND PANCREATIC CELLS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as set forth below and consider the following remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

At page 1, line 7, please add the following:

-- GRANT SUPPORT

This invention was made with United States Government support under Contract No. HD29764 by the National Institutes of Health. The United States Government has certain rights in the invention. --

IN THE CLAIMS

Please replace the pending claims with the following:

1. A transgenic non-human mammal, whose cells contain a polynucleotide, comprising:
a pancreas-specific promoter operably linked to a KGF-coding polynucleotide.
2. The transgenic mammal of claim 1 wherein the pancreas-specific promoter is an insulin promoter.